

Company E, 120th Ohio Volunteer Infantry



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PORTER, John A.* 7 Oct 1862

Private Porter was age 22 when he entered service. He died on 18 Mar 1863 at Memphis, Tennessee.

The Roll of Honor lists him as being buried at Memphis, Tennessee, in the Mississippi River Cemetery, section 2 grave 141.

Father: Robert PORTER

Mother: Elizabeth BOOR [vikkileereynoldson @ancestry.com]

Birth: <1840>PA

Marriage: Mary STRAUS, 9 May 1861, Wooster, Wayne Co OH

Death: 18 Mar 1863, Memphis, TN

Cemetery: Memphis National Cemetery, Shelby Co, TN: Porter, J A, d. 03/18/1863, PVT E 20 [incorrect] OHIO INF, Mar 18 1863, Plot: H 4901

Registers of Deaths of Volunteers, 1861-1865: John A. PORTER, Private, Co E 120th OH Inf, died 18 Mar 1863 on the floating hospital "City of Memphis", cause: chronic dysentery.

Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960: Moved from Old National Cemetery at Fort Pickering, Memphis TN to Memphis National Cemetery, #1114, J. A. PORTER, Private, Co E 120th OH Inf., died 18 Mar 1863, Section 2, 141. [Second record: Section 2, grave 4901]

National Cemetery Interment Control Forms, 1928-1962: J. A. PORTER, Pvt, Co E, 20 [sic] OH Inf. Died 18 Mar 1863. Originally buried at Memphis TN. Memphis National Cemetery, Section H, Grave 4901.

Pension Card: John A. PORTER, Pvt, Co E 120th OH Inf., died 18 Mar 1863 at Memphis TN. Widow's pension, Mary A. PORTER, filed 11 May 1863, Application 21217, Certificate 12720. Minor pension, minor guardian Elisha CAMERON, filed 19 Feb 1872, Application 201836, Certificate 156532. This widow is associated with Albert STEWART Co I 9th IA Cav. [Note: second husband...married about <1870>]

1850 Census, Stephensburg, Frederick VA, Dwelling 1872, Family 1902: Robert PORTER, age 41 PA, farmer; Elizabeth, age 31 PA; Mary E, age 11 PA; William, age 10 PA; George, age 7 PA; Robert, age 3 PA; John A., age 9 PA.

1860 Census, Wayne Twp, Wayne County, OH, page : Rob PORTER, age 50 PA, farmer; Elizabeth age 40 PA; John, age 20 PA; William, age 18 PA; George, age 15 PA; Robert age 12 VA; Sarah J, age 11 VA; James, age 9 VA; Albert age 3 OH; Catharn, age 5 OH; not named, age 1 month, OH. [[Rob and Elizabeth Porter](#) are buried at Overton Church of God Cemetery, Wayne Co OH.]

Ohio, County Marriages: John PORTER married Mary STRAUS, 9 May 1861, Wooster, Wayne Co OH.

Soldier's parents and siblings 1870 Census, Chester Twp, Wayne Co OH, Dwelling 33, Family 32: Robert PORTER, age 60 PA, farmer; Elizabeth, age 50 PA; Robert, age 21 VA, working on farm; S. J,[male] age 20 VA, working on farm; James, age 18 VA, day laborer; C. E, [female]age 15 OH; Albert, age 12 OH; Henry, age 11 OH; A. M., age 4 OH, [male].

Pension at fold3.com :

There is a pension listed for John A Porter, Co E 120th in Ohio in 1872. There was only one image at fold3.com for the widow of John PORTER. That document said the Mary A. was the widow of John A. PORTER and that her file was consolidated with Mary A. STEWART of Albert STEWART, #787342 It was stamped 17 Mar 1915.

1880 Census, Lagrange twp, Harrison Co IA, Dwelling 19, Family 19: A. O. STEWART, age 36 OH, painter, parents born PA; M. A., [female] age 35 PA, parents born PA; A. Franklin, son, age 6 OH; Edward F, age 4 MO, son; Ira O, son, age 4 IA; Adam STRAUSS, father, age 79 PA, gentleman, father born Germany.

1900 Census, Cass Twp, Harrison Co IA, Dwelling 177?, Family 179?: Albert STEWART, age 56 OH, born May 1844, married 30 yrs, father's birthplace unknown, mother born OH, farmer; Mary A, wife, age 55 PA, born Oct 1844, married 30 yrs, 3 children/3 still living, parents born PA; Edward F, son, age 26 MO, single, born Mar 1874, father OH, mother PA, school teacher; Ira O, son, age 23 IA, born Nov 1876, father OH, mother PA, farmer.

Widow of Albert STEWART applied for pension 24 Dec 1912, Application 998706, certificate 787342. Albert died 12 Nov 1912 at Dos Palos, California. There is nothing more at fold3.com.

WorldConnect: The soldier's son was John Albert Franklin PORTER, born 12 Apr 1862, Wayne Co OH. Mary died 18 Jan 1919, Merced Co CA.

1910 Census, Elgin Ave, Dos Palos Pct, Merced Co CA, Dwelling 56, Family 56: Albert STEWART, age 66 OH, first marriage, married 40 yrs, parents born OH, house painter, not marked for military service; Mary A, wife, age 66 PA, second marriage, married 40 yrs, 3 children/2 still living, parents born PA.

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